

John P. Neumann

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Profile

Versatile Rigger, Python/Mel Scripter and Animator

Experienced in leading and contributing to projects, utilizing various techniques in scripting, rigging and skinning to enhance visual aesthetic, functionality and end-user productivity. Acknowledged for capacity to tackle challenging issues, analyze viable alternatives, and provide innovative solutions. Persistence, personal integrity, and channeled energies are major strengths consistently cited by managers and clients alike—universally praising team spirit, independent work habits, and the determination to conquer technical challenges. A resourceful, life-long learner, embracing knowledge as a tool for improved problem-solving effectiveness.

Skills

- Fully Proficient In: Python, Mel, Maya, OS X, Linux, Windows and the Adobe Suite
- Skilled In: Rigging and Skinning
- Knowledge In: C++, Houdini and Actionscript

Work History

Reel FX – Dallas, TX

Technical Director/FX Technical Director

Wrote tools in Python and Mel to assist artists with their daily workflow and overcome software limitations for both Maya and Houdini. Also assisted artists by debugging scenes and renders utilizing various techniques, including editing the ascii scene file directly and determining render node status. Acted as the FX TD during pipeline development.

Contract Web Designer/Developer

Over last 10 years I have developed multiple websites for a variety of clients using various forms of design techniques including content managed sites, flash based sites and simple html/php sites.

Society of Actuaries - Schaumburg, IL

Senior Web Developer

Assisted in migration of old web site to new site in a four-month period. Also wrote scripts to easily manage data migration from old site to new site. Worked with several vendors and inside people on a team of six, not including project managers and Senior Executives. Also assisted the vendors in troubleshooting of elements of the site.

United States Marine Corps - Camp Pendleton, CA *GMF SatCom/Information Systems*

Was responsible for deployment and usage of Satellite Communications equipment. Equipment was mission critical, with the unit being under the command of an officer no lower than a Lieutenant Colonel. Received an honorable discharge and was retired from the Marine Corps in 2003.

Organizations & Associations

CGSociety Member – Active Member on the Graphics Programming and Character Rigging forums

Linked In - United States Marine Corps - Current Member of the United States Marine Corps Association

Landmark Education - Graduate of both the Teen and Adult Forum Programs

Special Olympics Volunteer - Have volunteered during the Special Olympics both overseas and locally

Education and Achievements

The Illinois of Institute of Art – Chicago

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Media Art & Animation

Graduated 2010

United States Marine Corps

Communications Schools (Field Radio, Multi-Channel and Satellite Communications) - Graduated top 3

Humbled: Rockettes to the Rescue

Worked as a Technical Directors for the VES Nominated show in the Outstanding Visual Effects in a Special Venue Project category.

Recipient of the Navy Achievement Medal

Received from the Base General on Camp Pendleton for superlative actions in getting our VITA Tax Center network back up and running during a server crash.